

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

ALLIANZ GLOBAL RISKS U.S.
INSURANCE COMPANY, as subrogee of
STAGE STORES, INC.

Civil Action No. 07-CV-2941 (WHP)
ECF CASE

Plaintiff,

– against –

RULE 7.1 STATEMENT

L'OREAL U.S.A.,

Defendant.

Pursuant to Rule 7.1 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and to enable District Judges and Magistrate Judges of the Court to evaluate possible disqualification or recusal, the undersigned counsel for Defendant L'ORÉAL USA, INC. (a private non-governmental party) certifies that it is a wholly owned subsidiary of **L'Oréal SA** (a French société anonyme), and that approximately 27% of **L'Oréal SA** is owned by **Nestlé SA** (a Swiss company). Defendant L'ORÉAL USA, INC. further certifies that there are no other corporate parents, affiliates or subsidiaries of said party which are publicly held.

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Huntington, New York

Respectfully submitted,

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